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John W. Busterud, KStJ, is a senior environmental and energy attorney. He is former Regional Administrator, United States Environmental Protection Agency, Pacific Southwest Region in San Francisco, California. Prior to joining EPA, John was Senior Director and Chief Counsel, Environment and Real Estate, for Pacific Gas and Electric Company where he practiced law for over 30 years. He grew up in northern California, attended college in upstate New York, and returned to California for law school. John currently resides with his wife and English bulldog in Belvedere, California.

John is also a retired U.S. Army Colonel with multiple Combined, Joint and Interagency assignments. He deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Combined Forces Command on the Korean Peninsula. His decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star and Parachutist's Badge. John served as a member of the California Veterans Board from 2017- 2020. He is one of the founding patrons of the National Museum of US Army, in Fort Belvoir Virginia.

John is a graduate of Union College, NY (BA), University of California, Hastings College of the Law (JD), and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

John was appointed to the Order in 2001 and is currently San Francisco Region Co-Chair. He has served on Chapter since 2020 and is a member of the Audit and Human Resources Committees. John enjoys his continued service in the St John's Volunteer Corps where he devotes his time to the VA Hospital at Fort Miley, San Francisco, California. In 2022, he participated in the Jerusalem Pilgrimage and attended St John's Day in London.

Following his promotion to Knight in 2021, John was granted honorary Arms by letters patent issued by the College of Arms in London. He is also a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.